In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) An electro-active contact lens system comprising:

a contact lens;

an electro-active element attached to the contact lens;

a view detector attached to the contact lens and in electronic communication with the electro-active element; and

a power source attached to the contact lens to provide power to the electro-active element and the view detector; and

a means for stabilizing the view detector between a palpebral fissure of a patient's eye when the contact lens system is worn by the patient.

- 2. (original) The electro-active contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the view detector comprises a rangefinder.
- 3. (original) The electro-active contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the view detector comprises a tilt switch.
- 4. (original) The electro-active contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the view detector comprises a micro-gyroscope.
- 5. (original) The electro-active contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the power source is a conformal battery.
- 6. (cancelled)
- 7. (currently amended) The contact lens system of claim 6 1 wherein the means for stabilizing the view detector comprises at least one stabilizing piece prism weight attached to the contact lens.

- 8. (currently amended) The contact lens system of claim 6 1 wherein the means for stabilizing the view detector comprises at least one <u>prism</u> slab off attached to the contact lens.
- 9. (currently amended) The contact lens system of claim 6 1 wherein the means for stabilizing the view detector comprises a truncated contact lens, wherein a portion of the contact lens is truncated along a chord below and substantially parallel to a horizontal meridian of the contact lens.
- 10. (currently amended) The contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the contact lens is manufactured from the group consisting of gas permeable, non gas permeable, and hydrophilic optical materials.
- 11. (original) The contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the electro-active element is contained within a capsule connected to the contact lens.
- 12. (original) The contact lens system of claim 11 wherein the capsule is constructed of a rigid material.
- 13. (original) The contact lens system of claim 11 wherein the capsule provides a fixed distance optical power.
- 14. (original) The contact lens system of claim 11 wherein the view detector is contained in the capsule.
- 15. (original) The contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the contact lens provides a fixed distance optical power.
- 16. (currently amended) A method for making an electro-active contact lens system comprising:

encapsulating an electro-active element; and

attaching the encapsulated electro-active element and a power source to provide power to the electro-active element to a contact lens;

attaching a view detector in electronic communication with the electro-active element to the contact lens; and

stabilizing the view detector on the contact lens between a palpebral fissure of a patient's eye when the contact lens is worn by the patient.

- 17. (cancelled)
- 18. (currently amended) The method of claim 17 16 wherein the view detector comprises a rangefinder.
- 19. (currently amended) The method of claim 17-16 wherein the view detector is encapsulated with the electro-active element.
- 20. (cancelled)
- 21. (currently amended) The method of claim 20 16 wherein the view detector is stabilized by attaching at least one stabilizing piece prism weight to the contact lens.
- 22. (currently amended) The method of claim 20 16 wherein the view detector is stabilized by attaching at least one prism slab off to the contact lens.
- 23. (currently amended) The method of claim 20 16 wherein the view detector is stabilized by truncating a portion of the contact lens along a chord below and substantially parallel to a horizontal meridian of the contact lens.
- 24. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein the electro-active element is encapsulated within a rigid material.
- 25. (original) The method of claim 16 wherein the contact lens comprises a hydrophilic material.

- 26. (new) The contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the contact lens is manufactured from non-gas permeable materials.
- 27. (new) The electro-active contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the power source is a photovoltaic cell.
- 28. (new) The electro-active contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the power source converts kinetic energy from movement of the patient's eye into electric energy.
- 29. (new) The contact lens system of claim 1 wherein the electro-active element is switchable to provide viewing correction for at least two different focal lengths.
- 30. (new) An electro-active contact lens that includes an electro-active element, a view detector in communication with the electro-active element, and a power source that provides power to the electro-active element, wherein the electro-active element and the view detector are contained within a capsule.
- 31. (new) An electro-active contact lens system comprising:
 - a contact lens including an electro-active element;
 - a view detector in communication with the electro-active element; and
- a power source to provide power to the electro-active element, wherein the view detector comprises a tilt switch.
- 32. (new) An electro-active contact lens system comprising:
 - a contact lens including an electro-active element;
 - a view detector in communication with the electro-active element; and
- a power source to provide power to the electro-active element, wherein the view detector comprises one of a micro gyroscope or micro accelerometer.

- 33. (new) An electro-active contact lens system that includes a contact lens, an electro-active element, and a view detector, wherein the view detector is stabilized at a predetermined orientation.
- 34. (new) An electro-active contact lens that includes an electro-active element encapsulated within a rigid material, wherein the rigid material is surrounded by a hydrophilic material.
- 35. (new) An electro-active contact lens that includes an electro-active element, a view detector in communication with the electro-active element, a power source that provides power to the electro-active element, and a means for stabilizing the view detector between a palpebral fissure of a patient's eye when the electro-active contact lens is worn by the patient.
- 36. (new) The electro-active contact lens of claim 35 wherein the view detector comprises a rangefinder.
- 37. (new) The electro-active contact lens of claim 35 wherein the view detector comprises a tilt switch.
- 38. (new) The electro-active contact lens of claim 35 wherein the view detector comprises a micro-gyroscope.
- 39. (new) The electro-active contact lens of claim 35 wherein the power source is a conformal battery.